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CAPT. DON BOHART,
W7QCN/Ø, TO SPEAK ON RTTY
AT MEETING MAY 10

Capt. Donald O. Bohart, USAF, W7QCN/Ø, will be the speaker at the next PPRAA meeting, Wednesday, May 10, at the Red Cross Building, starting at 8 p. m.

Don will speak on "Getting Started in RTTY," during which he will relate his experiences in this mode of communications, explaining how to get started and the problems the beginner often encounters in RTTY.

According to Max Main, WØBDH, PPRAA president, Don is very active on RTTY and has built many different types of FSK converters, keyers and auto start gear.

Further discussion of possible participation in this year's hill climb, the usual prizes and the usual coffee break will also be a part of the meeting.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

To initiate the soapbox for the president's column this month, I would like to make a special appeal to each of our
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GEORGE KOWALSKY BUSY
GETTING DONATIONS FOR
STATION AT RED CROSS

George Kowalski, WØGCH, who as EC, is efficient at handling the AREC net in routine and emergency situations, is just as efficient at getting donations of equipment and material for the new ham station in the Red Cross Center.

Last month's Ø Beat carried an account of the successful trip George and Larry Lewis, WAØDGL, made to Denver, coming back with \$66 worth of donated equipment for the station.

Since that time George has rounded up, among other items, a donation of \$40 worth of drapes from Sears, Roebuck and recording equipment from Ampex valued at \$5,300, consisting of four spt announcement recorders which will handle 3-3/4 minute announcements, good for disaster announcements, and two Hewlett-Packard test meters. He is continuing his "donation efforts" with other firms in the area and reports "interesting results."

With the help of several PPRAA members, two 2 meter ground plane antennas
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The PPRAA meets on the second Wednesday of each month, starting at 8 p. m., in the Red Cross Building, 1600 N. Cascade Ave. - All radio amateurs are invited.
COPY DEADLINE for the JUNE Ø BEAT will be May 31.

FEEDBACK

The following editorial, which appeared in the March 1967 issue of "Collector and Emitter," published by the Aeronautical Center Amateur Radio Club of Oklahoma City, does an excellent job of expressing an idea I have been trying to put across to PPRAA members since I took over Ø Beat. Think it over and act accordingly!

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"The name of the game is the same today, next month or next year and that is how to produce a better paper. First how about feedback? Does it produce a flatter response in your hi-fi system? Does it cause your oscillator stage to produce an RF signal? Would it produce a better paper? The answer is YES. Starting with our April issue I want feedback from readers of C&E. The reason is to get some reaction from our readers and have a better idea of what they want to read.

"In the past, a few technical articles have been published. The engineer writing the article was usually rewarded by favorable comment. Many times these articles were copied by our swap papers. It is always rewarding to see one of our C&E articles appear in another paper. It means someone liked the article well enough to reproduce it. To me this is

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feedback. I want your comments, your technical articles, your plans and happenings of a personal nature.

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To which I add AMEN! Several articles originally published in Ø Beat have found their way into other papers. An article by YOU might well "go the same route"!

How about some "feedback" from YOU to help to continue to make Ø Beat kind of a publication which publishes articles interesting enough to find their way into other club papers?

Frank - WØHWH

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TRAVELING THIS SUMMER?

With the coming of the travel season, amateurs will be taking advantage of reciprocal operating agreements. Amateurs traveling across the Canadian-U.S. border (perhaps to see 'Expo 67') should apply for an operating permit 30 to 40 days in advance. Apply to the Department of Transport in Ottawa. Travelers visiting elsewhere should allow at least two months for processing of request. Details on a particular country can be procured from ARRL headquarters.

PPRAA ROSTER CHANGES

Following are corrections and/or additions to the roster of PPRAA members published in last month's Ø Beat:

CORRECTIONS--- (correction underlined)

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DONATIONS (Continued from Page 1)
tennas, a 14 AVQ vertical antenna and an AD 40 doublet (donated by Max Main, WØBDH) have been put up at the station.

The XYL of Bobby Marek, WNØ-KZG, hung the drapes at the station and reportedly did a 5-9-9 job of it.

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Don't forget the meeting May 10!!

CHANGES TO BE MADE IN VEHICLE INSPECTION DATES

A recent Associated Press story carried information regarding changes in Colorado vehicle inspection dates.

The situation results from the new law placing vehicle inspections on a staggered basis to prevent inspection stations from being swamped every May and November.

Safety inspection stickers now on automobiles expire May 31 and these will be renewed, as usual, for a six-month period.

Every new or used car sold, beginning July 1, will be issued a sticker bearing the number one. This means the sticker will expire next January and the new sticker must be obtained then.

Vehicles with special licenses, such as those obtained by amateur operators bearing the call letters of their stations, also will be issued stickers bearing a one and must be renewed in January.

For other vehicles, the expiration date of the inspection sticker issued in the fall--ending November 31--will depend on the last digit in the 1967 license plate. If, for example, the license plate number ends with a two, the sticker issued will carry the number two and the car will be inspected in February, then again, six months later, in August.

The numerals on 1968 plates will have nothing to do with the dates.

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